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BY ECF AND EMAIL

Honorable Richard J. Sullivan
United States Circuit Judge
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

**Re: United States v. John Luke Shannon,
18 Cr. 809 (RJS)**

Dear Judge Sullivan:

I write to request that the Court adjourn Mr. Shannon's surrender date, now set for February 24, 2021, by an additional 30 days. Mr. Shannon was scheduled to receive his second dose of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine through the Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") health care system on February 9, 2021. Unfortunately, the VA postponed his appointment without giving him a new date; he was told simply that he will be contacted when they can provide the second shot. Mr. Shannon is now also trying to schedule an appointment outside the VA system, but that could also take weeks. Especially in light of the new, highly infectious variants of the coronavirus now circulating, it is important that Mr. Shannon be fully vaccinated before he travels to North Carolina and enters BOP custody.

The government has no objection to the requested adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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cc: AUSA Cecilia Vogel

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Defendant's surrender date, currently set for Wednesday, February 24, 2021, is adjourned to Wednesday, March 24, 2021.

Date: February 15, 2021
New York, New York

SO ORDERED:



RICHARD J. SULLIVAN
U.S.C.J., Sitting by Designation